

- 1        1. (currently amended)    A plug-in connector for plumbing fixtures ~~having~~  
2        comprising:  
3            a plug-in bushing associated [to] with the plumbing fixture[,] ;  
4            an undercut associated [to] with the plug-in bushing[,] ; and  
5            a flange having a non-circular shaped perimeter, the flange being  
6            attachable to a line near an end of the line, wherein to be connected to the  
7            ~~plumbing fixture, and a flange attached near the end of the line that has a~~  
8            ~~perimeter having other than a circular shape and that may be brought into~~  
9            ~~engagement the line is connected to the plumbing fixture by inserting the~~  
10            ~~line with the flange thereon into the plug-in bushing beyond the undercut,~~  
11            ~~and engaging the flange with the undercut by rotating [it,] the flange after the~~  
12            ~~line end has been pushed into the plug-in bushing.~~
- 1        2. (currently amended)    A plug-in connector according to claim 1, wherein  
2            the undercut is configured such that the line, along with the flange, may be  
3            rotated to the extent that withdrawal of the line from the plug-in bushing will be  
4            prevented by engagement of the flange with the undercut.
- 1        3. (original)    A plug-in connector according to claim 1, wherein the undercut is  
2            configured such that the undercut and flange will be wedged together when the  
3            line is rotated.
- 1        4. (original)    A plug-in connector according to claim 1, wherein the flange is  
2            configured such that the undercut and flange will be wedged together when the  
3            line is rotated.
- 1        5. (currently amended)    A plug-in connector according to claim 1, wherein  
2            the undercut and the flange jointly form a bayonet connector when the line is  
3            rotated.

1       6. (original) A plug-in connector according to claim 1, wherein the undercut is  
2       formed on one side of the plug-in bushing only.

1       7. (original) A plug-in connector according to claim 1, wherein the undercut is  
2       formed around the end of the line.

1       8. (original) A plug-in connector according to claim 1, wherein the undercut is  
2       at least partially formed ahead of the plug-in bushing.

1       9. (currently amended) A plug-in connector according to claim 1, wherein  
2       **the plumbing fixtures have a housing and** the plug-in bushing is formed in an  
3       adapter element, situated between a mixer cartridge and the housing of **the a**  
4       plumbing fixture.

1       10. (currently amended) A plug-in connector according to claim 1, wherein  
2       **the plumbing fixtures have a housing and** the undercut is formed in the  
3       housing of **the a** plumbing fixture.

1       11. (currently amended) A plug-in connector according to claim [[1]] **9**,  
2       wherein the undercut is formed in the adapter element.

1       12. (currently amended) A plug-in connector according to claim **11**, wherein  
2       **the ends of the undercut in the adapter element are open and may be closed by**  
3       inserting the adapter into the housing of the plumbing fixture.

1       13. (currently amended) A plug-in connector according to claim **11**, wherein  
2       **the ends of the plug-in bushing in the adapter element are open and may be**  
3       closed by inserting the adapter into the housing of the plumbing fixture.

1       14. (original)       A plug-in connector according to claim 1, wherein the  
2       flange is located at a distance from the free end of the line.

1        15. (currently amended) A plug-in connector according to claim 1, wherein an  
2        axial force acting on the flange forces [[it]] the flange up against the undercut in  
3        order to clamp the end of the line having the flange in the plug-in bushing.

1        16. (original)        A plug-in connector according to claim 15, wherein an  
2        elastic element is provided in order to exert the axial force acting on the flange.

1        17. (original)        A plug-in connector according to claim 16, wherein the  
2        elastic element is formed by an O-Ring.